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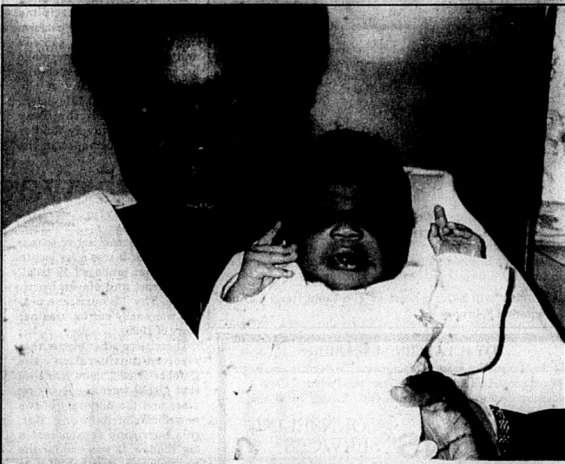
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Nell Carter is coming to the
Dolly Hand Cultural Arts
Center on Feb. 2. See Page 2
for more details.



Baby girl, first born at Glades General...Shannon Lawson was the first baby of the New Year at Glades General Hospital. Shannon is held by her mother, April Lawson of South Bay. She was delivered by Dr. Carlito Arrogante at 2:30 p.m. January 1 and weighed 7 pounds, 7 and one-half ounces at birth.



Baby girl, first born at Everglades Regional...Sudith Lima was the first baby of the New Year at Everglades Regional Medical Center. Sudith is held by her mother, Juliana Exil of Pahokee. She was delivered by Dr. Edna Garcia at 4 a.m. January 1 and weighed 6 pounds, 8 and three-fourth ounces at birth.

Glades residents say goodbye to a "very good year"

"1995 was a good year for me," said Kenzea Osborne Young, an RN at Everglades Regional Medical Center.

The highlights of the year for Mrs. Young were the fact that she has two children - Kenteria and Monshakeria. "I got married in February, bought a new house in July, and recently

received a raise at work." "My hopes for 1996 are to have a prosperous year," Kenzea added.



Jeffrey Schooley

"1995 was good and bad," said Jeffrey Schooley, a Registered Respiratory Therapist at Everglades Regional Medical Center.

"1995 was bad because I

recently have gotten a divorce but it has been good because I have worked 60-72 hour weeks, made lots of money, and have increased my job skills."

"In 1996 I hope for my freedom and am looking forward to taking my vacation to Europe," Mr. Schooley added.



Marilyn Sims

"1995 was a great year," said

Marilyn Sims, Patient Representative at Everglades Regional Medical Center.

"My year has been very rewarding at work. The hospital has been very busy and I have gotten a chance to serve and help many people with little things that the nurses don't have time to do."

"Back in Dec. of 1989 I lost my home in Belle Glade to a fire where my family then moved to Pahokee but recently I have bought a new home and have moved back to Belle Glade where I plan to complete the remodeling," said Mrs. Sims.

"In 1996 I plan on establishing my yard. My hopes are to complete planting flowers and starting a butterfly garden. I will invite classes into my yard to learn about the garden. I also hope that Everglades Regional Medical Center will

be well-established and serve more patients in the coming year," Mrs. Sims added.



William Dever

"It's been a great year," says William Dever, pastor of the Pahokee Nazarene Church. "We had some physical improvements on our building and we've had several unusual

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Needy organizations can apply for grants

The Glades Community Development Corporation will be hosting the Youth and Family Development Agenda (YFDA) request for proposals conferences in two local locations.

The first will be Monday, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. at Pahokee City Hall in the chamber and the second will be Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 6 p.m. at Belle Glade City Hall in the chambers.

The proposal instruction guidelines will be available at each conference. Attendees can RSVP to the Glades Community Development Corporation office, 992-9500, by Jan. 5. All interested organizations are encouraged to attend.



Kenzea Osborne Young

Libraries closed

All Palm Beach County Library System locations will be closed on Monday, Jan. 15, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. The Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay libraries will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 16, at their regular hours.

Fair tickets available at locals chambers

The Belle Glade and Pahokee Chambers of Commerce are selling advance tickets to the South Florida Fair. Admission tickets, ride coupon books, wristbands, and three day passes are all available at substantial savings. Stop in at the chamber offices, or call for more information.

Blood drive scheduled

The Palm Beach County Blood Bank is scheduling several blood drives in the Glades. They will be at West Technical Education Center on Jan. 9 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. The school is located at 2625 State Road 715, Belle Glade.

Pahokee's own Captain JP Boat Cruises tour Lake Okeechobee

If you are bored with nothing to do and you want a change from the same old restaurants without having to spend a fortune, Captain JP Boat Cruises might have something just for you.

The Lake Okeechobee Cap-

tain began scheduling boat cruises in November of 1995.

The popular 350 passenger boat attraction has a weekly schedule that cruises from the Pahokee Marina, Moore Haven City Dock and Stuart.

Captain JP has eight cruises

meant for everyone's convenience.

Cruise #1 is the Lake Okeechobee Round Trip Cruise, which is a six hour cruise that begins sailing at 10 a.m. on Mondays only. This package offers a cruise across the lake

from Pahokee and return by a different route, via Belle Glade, to see an old-time crank bridge that has to be opened manually, one of only three in the U.S.A. A continental breakfast and much talked about buffet is included plus hor d'oeuvres are served between 3 to 4 p.m. Passengers return at 4 p.m.

Cruise #2 is the Lake Okeechobee Cruise, which is a six hour cruise that begins sailing at 10 a.m., from Pahokee, every Tuesday, west bound, through the Lock to Moore Haven across Lake Okeechobee. You are then bussed back by private motor coach. A complete continental breakfast and a full, three hot meat entree lunch, is included plus hor d'oeuvres are served prior to docking. Returns at 4 p.m.

Cruise #3 is the Lake Okeechobee Waterway Lock Cruise (west side), which is a five hour cruise that begins sailing at 10 a.m. on Wednesday only. You sail on the intracoastal waterway out of Moore Haven on the Rim Canal that surrounds the lake, passing through the lock while observing the workings of the Army Corps of Engineers' Locks that control the water of the lake. This cruise only goes out on the lake about three miles. A much enjoyed "All-U-Care-To"

Eat" buffet is included in the fare, plus a continental breakfast. Returns at 3 p.m.

Cruise #4 is the Lake Okeechobee Cruise, which is a six hour cruise across the lake on Thursdays. This cruise is the same as Cruise #2 except you sail east-bound every Thursday, across the lake from Moore Haven through the lock to Pahokee. Sailing begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m.

Cruise #5 is the Lake Okeechobee Waterway Lock Cruise (east side), which is a five hour cruise enjoyed on Fridays. You sail out of Pahokee on the Rim Canal to Port Mayaca where you go through the Lock on to St. Lucie Canal while observing the working of the Lock and the wildlife in their natural habitat. The "All-U-Care-To-Eat" buffet, plus a continental breakfast is included. The sail begins at 10 a.m., and returns at 3 p.m.

Cruise #6 is the Pahokee to Stuart cruise, which is a six hour, Saturday only cruise. It takes you on the Okeechobee Waterway to Stuart, passing through two sets of locks sailing from Pahokee out on the lake to Port Mayaca Lock into the St. Lucie Canal through the St. Lucie Lock to Stuart approximately 60 miles.

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Captain Jim Pledger (JP)



NELL CARTER

Nell Carter will be in concert at The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center on February 2.

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Broadway and television star Nell Carter in concert at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center.

By Maria Wise Miller

This joint is jumpin' as the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center welcomes Broadway and television star Nell Carter in a concert titled "An Intimate Evening with a Star."

Nell Carter's rare combination of talent and discipline give her the ability to perform impressive musical, comedy and dramatic roles and make her one of today's most charismatic personalities of the stage, screen and television. Ms. Carter won the Tony Award on Broadway for her energetic performance in the



Maria Wise Miller

musical "AIN'T MISBEHAVIN'."

Over the years, Ms. Carter has received numerous

awards which include the Outer Circle Critics Award, the Drama Desk Award, the Obie, the Theatre World Desk Award and two Emmy Awards.

For six successful seasons, Ms. Carter starred in the hit television show "GIMME A BREAK." Most recently, she appears on the popular "HANGIN WITH MR. COOPER."

Carter likes to recall that her beginnings were on the front porch of her childhood home in Birmingham, Alabama. At age six, she began to

belt out "How Great Thou Art," while her brother, Bernard, pretended to be the conductor.

At The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, located on the Glades Campus of Palm Beach Community College, Carter will perform a concert in celebration of opening of the much anticipated atrium gallery.

This special concert with a superstar will be Friday, Feb. 2, 1996 at 8 p.m. Tickets go on sale Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1996. The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center box office opens at 10 a.m. or call 992-6160.

1995 was one for the record books

By Mike Lyons

It was the most active season in 62 years. It was a six month period that produced 19 tropical storms and eleven hurricanes. The '95 hurricane season was easily our top weather story of 1995.

There were other events that received consideration - the October floods, more evidence that global warming is taking place and the discovery of two new forms of lightning. But, this hurricane season cast a big shadow. It was one for the record-books - one that all of us hope we never see again.

It started quickly. Allison was the earliest hurricane to strike the United States when it hit our panhandle on June 6. And, for a while in August and September, it looked as if it was never going to stop. Every day seemed to bring another tropical storm on the verge of becoming another hurricane.



Mike Lyons

The frazzled and overworked experts at the National Hurricane Center could barely keep up. Extra personnel had to be called in to handle the overflow of tropical systems.

When Hurricane Tanya fell apart in the open waters of the Atlantic Ocean on November 1, the hurricane season was finally over. As usual, it was deadly and expensive.

Tropical systems claimed 121 lives and caused 7.7 billion dol-

lars in damage. In the United States, 36 people died and damage topped \$5 billion.

Florida was hit hard by tropical systems in 1995. Allison struck the panhandle in June, Erin slammed into Vero Beach in August, Jerry soaked South Florida in late August and Opal devastated the panhandle in October.

Opal became the strongest hurricane to hit the United States mainland since Hurricane Andrew in 1992. Opal shredded a 100-mile stretch of the Gulf Coast producing nearly \$2 billion in damage.

So, why was it so crazy this year? As with any element of the weather there is no simple answer. Dr. Robert Burpee, director of the National Hurricane Center, said there were four primary reasons for the increase in tropical activity this year.

First- lots of water. "There was near normal or slightly above normal rainfall in the Sahel region of the African continent," he said. "That's a favorable factor."

Second - low pressure. "The surface pressures were low throughout the Atlantic for most of the summer," Mr.

Burpee said.

Third - absence of the El Nino. "The El Nino, the warm sea surface temperatures in the eastern equatorial Pacific Ocean, were replaced by cooler sea surface temperatures," Mr. Burpee said. "Cooler water is favorable for Atlantic Ocean hurricanes."

And, fourth - very little wind shear. "The change in the winds throughout the depth of the atmosphere were very small this year compared to other years," he said. "So the shear of the wind was low."

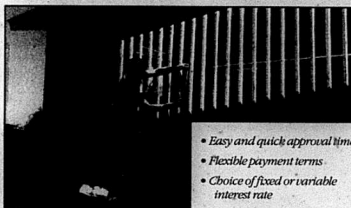
All these things added together helped produce the second busiest year on record. And, the top weather story of 1995.

Next year, however, may be different. Early predictions for 1996 indicate a much quieter season. Dr. William Gray is forecasting eight tropical systems next year - not nineteen. Still, fewer storms do not necessarily mean a quiet season. It only takes one hurricane striking our area to make 1996 a very busy year.

Mike Lyons is the weatherman for WPBF, Channel 25.

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Rabies outbreak prompts warning in Palm Beach

The Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission (GFC) is warning the public not to pick-up raccoons and foxes that appear sick, injured or lethargic as they may be infected with rabies.

If you encounter sick or aggressive raccoons or foxes, call your local county animal control office or the GFC office at (407) 640-6100.

GFC Wildlife Biologist Tim Regan said that Palm Beach and Martin counties are experiencing the highest incidence

of rabies in wildlife in more than 40 years.

There have been 48 confirmed cases of rabies in raccoons and foxes in Martin County since June 17, 1994. Palm Beach County had 19 confirmed cases in the same time period.

Regan also reminded the public that they must have a recent permit to possess raccoons and foxes as pets. He said there is now an approved oral rabies vaccine available on the market for wildlife.

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Belle Glade Police Department's arrest blotter, ending year 1995:

The Belle Glade Police Department investigated 689 complaints the week of Dec. 25 - Dec. 31, 1995, and handled 17 crime scenes.

Those arrested included:

December 25 - Dorthene Harris, 30, aggravated domestic battery.

December 26 - Nathaniel Williams, 34, battery; Jean Claude Baptiste, 40, possession of shopping cart; James Lawrence Minus, 32, aggravated domestic battery; Willie Nicholson, 24, throwing deadly missiles; also Shantoria Lindsey, 22, aggravated domestic battery.

December 27 - Jimmy Mills, 25, loitering and prowling; Leroy Freeman, 45, grand theft; Juvenile, 17, retail theft; Cardiney Griffin, 30, failure to comply; Juvenile, 14, retail theft; Calvin Thompson, 35, oppose and obstruct; Roy Lee Miles, 37, disorderly conduct; Willie Anthony Williams, 40, possession of cocaine and resisting arrest without violence; Juvenile, 14, burglary of school and grand theft; Hartman Knowles, 25, indecent expo-

sure; also Zabian Caple, 35, possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

December 28 - Anthony Smith, 28, domestic battery; George Washington, 85, domestic battery; Juvenile, 15, burglary of school and grand theft; and Juvenile, 15, burglary of school and grand theft.

December 29 - Juvenile, 14, burglary, failure to appear/aid & abetting, and failure to appear/grand theft; also Calvin Edmonson, 44, contempt of court.

December 30 - Juvenile, 16, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest without violence; also Willie Lewis, 33, oppose and obstruct.

December 31 - Edward Rivers, 23, aggravated battery; Noe Margarito, 27, loitering and prowling and trespass; Martha Johnson, 23, disorderly intoxication; Juvenile, 15, grand theft auto; Juvenile, 13, grand theft auto; Sonny Jean Baptiste, 38, domestic battery and aggravated battery; Ylusse Suvernnini, 30, aggravated battery; Joseph Carver, 34, battery on law enforcement officer; Anthony Posey, 30,

domestic battery; William McClorin, 32, aggravated domestic battery; Juvenile, 17, oppose by fleeing; Juvenile, 16, aggravated domestic battery; also Juvenile, 14, domestic battery.

The police news in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated.

Arrested persons who are later found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.



Walt Reynolds

I hope everyone had a great holiday. The weather brought back memories of Christmas up north.

We are going to have a busy

Fishing with B.A.S.S. Pro. Walt Reynolds

area next week with the FLW Tour being on the lake with 300 fishermen and the ESPN camera crews. I hope everyone will put on their "happy face" so the world will know how happy we are to live on Lake Okeechobee. There are sure to be some fine limits of fish caught, so be at the weigh-in's every day at 2:30 p.m. at Roland Martin's Marina. The dates are Jan. 9 - 12 and the crowd will be filmed for the television show.

The cold front has temporarily slowed the fishing, but with

the warming trend we should see a big improvement by next week. Flipping a crawdad or worm has been working as well as a spinnerbait such as a 1/2 ounce white Hurricane III or a blue and chrome Rattle Trap fished in the edges of the grass.

The crappie are still biting well on a jig or jig tipped with a minnow. The smaller jigs in 1/32nd or 1/16th ounce work best.

To all a good bite, Walt Reynolds
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ing between February 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day," and The Tree Book with

information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE LIVE OAKS, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 1996.

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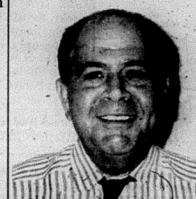
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OPINION PAGE

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Keep our city looking good

There's a junk car lot on N.W. Ave. 1, Belle Glade. It has a fence around it, but the fence doesn't do any good because they've got the cars stacked in two layers so that they show over the fence. They just as well not have a fence.

Is there anything that can be done about that?

Also, on 25th Street, there is a gentleman who keeps putting his trash near the canal where the trash men do not see it.

I've even picked up the trash and put it up out of the hole, so the trash truck will pick it up.

I wish something could be done about these things because it sure makes our city look terrible.

Thank you very kindly!

Abuse of authority

"Justice for law enforcement officers... we would think it to be the use of authority and power to uphold what is right, just and lawful.

But that's not so with the Pahokee Police Department. There are officers on the Pahokee Police Department who must not have heard of the word justice.

We are aware that there has been authority and power invested in some of the wrong places in the Pahokee Police Department. Some of the officers attitude is "we have our badges. We are the law."

But we know that the law was written for every man to abide by, whether they have a badge or not.

Remember the policeman in

South Bay who lied in a report about a firearm? Only true justice prevails.

We don't need police brutality in our community. That's right. You heard it. We don't need it."

Correction:

In The Sun's December 28, 1995 issue, on page 8, there was a story about Gleaning events. In the article we did not give a phone number where you may reach the person(s) to contact if you are interested or have any questions regarding these events. Contact: Jerry Nichols, Coordinator of the Society of St. Andrews, at 1-800-806-0756 or Roswell Harrington, local coordinator, at 924-5698.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to publicly express my thanks to some ladies who jumped to the call of saving Christmas for some people who might not have had much of one.

As the weekend, night-shift nursing supervisor at Glades General Hospital, I received a report from day supervisor Bernadette Lange, R.N. who was concerned about some patients who were far from home, and hospitalized. I will spare the details so that I don't violate patient confidentiality. At 8:30 p.m., Christmas Eve we called Bonnie Peacock, R.N. at home with a plea for boys' and girls' Christmas gifts. We already had a few, but needed more.

In an hour, Ms. Peacock arrived with more

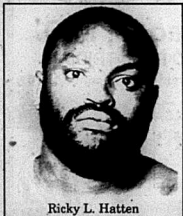
than we needed and credited Francis Simmons and Janice Meeks for helping her.

At 6:30 a.m. Christmas morning, the night nurses and I delivered the gifts to those we were concerned with. There were tears of joy. Bernadette Lange, Bonnie Peacock, R.N., Francis Simmons, and Janice Meeks brought the spirit of joy and giving that is Christmas to some special people. My deepest thanks go to these four special ladies!

Sincerely,

Michele Young, R.N.
Weekend Night Nursing Supervisor
Glades General Hospital

Crimestoppers



Ricky L. Hatten

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc. is asking for your help in locating Ricky L. Hatten.

He is wanted for failure to appear on charges of aggravated assault. Hatten is a black male, 6'1" tall and weighs 240 pounds. He has a scar on his right leg. His Social Security number is 265-47-3707 and his last known address was 635 30th Street, West Palm Beach. Hatten's birth date is listed

as May 1, 1959.

His last occupation was as a laborer for parks and recreation. His warrant was active as of Dec. 22, 1995.

If you know the whereabouts of Hatten, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers, 1-800-458-8477. You do not have to give your name. Remain anonymous and receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest or recovery of stolen property.

Guest Commentary

Proposed sugar policy is more than just reform



By Dalton Yancy
Executive Vice President,
Florida Sugar Cane League, Inc.

A little over a year ago, in November of 1994, a revolution took place across the United States. Voters, tired and frustrated over a Congress they perceived as out of touch with them, elected a Republican majority.

Armed with an impressive agenda for reform, the new congress and their new leaders set out to make major changes. Agriculture programs that have been in place for decades were among the priorities outlined for revision.

It is beginning to be obvious that the public supports the concept of making striking reforms in the area of U.S. agricultural policy. But sugar policy is still commented upon in the press as "intact," "having escaped reform," or "survived." Nothing could be further from the facts. There has been significant reform in proposed sugar legislation.

Sugar policy is probably the least understood of farm programs. There are numerous misconceptions about agricultural programs overall, by not only the public and the press, but by many Members of Congress as well. Sugar is different from most commodity programs because:

1) It is a no-cost program, 2) it supports the price of a processed product, and 3) it is not an export crop.

It is a fact that sugar policy began its reform in the mid 1980's by becoming "no cost" to the U.S. Treasury, by yielding a plentiful supply of sugar to the consumer at reasonable prices, and by stabilizing a potentially volatile market to farmers and processors. While the foregoing statement is true, it is not the perception of the public, the press or some of our political leaders.

Added to the mix of the reform minded congress and the prevailing public perception of sugar policy this year are the following players: one old opponent, one former opponent and one newcomer. The "old" opponents are the sugar users who want to buy cheap sugar, the "former" opponents are the cane sugar refiners who left the American Sugar Alliance (a group consisting of cane growers, processors and refiners, and beet growers and processors), and the "newcomers" are environmental extremists who see an opportunity to drive sugar farming out of the state of Florida. These three diverse groups are working together in the Congress to dismantle U.S. sugar policy.

The sugar users, consisting primarily of the large multinational food conglomerates, have been able to hide under the veil of the reform-minded congress and have coordinated their attacks on domestic sugar farming with the cane sugar refiners and the environmental extremists. Millions of dollars have been used to attack domestic sugar policy. These attack dollars have built upon the foundation of the misconceptions of the public and the press.

A new aspect of the debate this year has been personal attacks on sugar farmers to the low level of race baiting and immigrant bashing. The environmental extremists have also spent millions of dollars in a smearing, misinformation campaign to eliminate sugar farming in South Florida. They have spent more than three million dollars in the state of Florida alone.

Fortunately, sugar farmers have had good leadership and some champions in Congress to tell the sugar story. These farmers and Members of Congress have the best weapon in this harsh debate -- the truth. Even so, the debate has been fierce and uphill, and the sugar policy that is currently in the Budget Reconciliation Bill is arguably more reform than some farmers can withstand.

Sugar, in particular, has already achieved notable reform over the last decade. Ratification of GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) for example, represents the most significant change in the operation of the U.S. sugar policy since the passage of the 1990 farm bill. Under GATT, the U.S. guarantees a minimum market of 1.25 million tons of sugar to foreign exporters each year at an extremely low or zero level of duty. Imports of sugar above the GATT minimum are not prohibited, but are subject to a higher level of duty.

The U.S. sugar policy outlined in current proposed legislation is not the sugar policy of the past. Sugar policy reforms brought forth by the Republican Congress this year include the almost certainty of an increase in sugar imports, removal of marketing allotments, a change from non-recourse to recourse loans under certain conditions, an increased marketing assessment of 25%, and a penalty that effectively lowers the loan rate by one cent.

These reforms remove entirely any safety net for American sugar beet and sugarcane farmers. The Republican Congress this year include the almost certainty of an increase in sugar imports, removal of marketing allotments, a change from non-recourse to recourse loans under certain conditions, an increased marketing assessment of 25%, and a penalty that effectively lowers the loan rate by one cent.

There will be no guaranteed minimum price paid by processors to sugar farmers, unless imports are at unusually high levels, which would trigger non-recourse loans. This means much greater risk and lower prices for sugar farmers. It also means uncertainty for American consumers.

Still, many congressional members, sugar users, and environmental activists argue that certain commodity programs, especially sugar, have not taken enough cuts during the congressional reform process -- this belief is emphatically not correct. These sugar pol-

icy reforms are dramatic and painful to growers. Major reforms to the U.S. sugar policy are as follows:

1. The effective U.S. import level has been increased by nearly 20 percent to 1.5 million short tons a year, much more than American trade negotiators agreed to in GATT. This means more competition and the potential for lower returns for American sugar farmers.

2. The elimination of marketing allotments ends supply management. In effect, under current law, the government may regulate marketings of sugar as a tool to maintain the "no cost" provision. The elimination of all domestic supply controls will create a domestic free market for sugar with more competition. There will be shifts in production from cane to beet and within the beet and cane sectors. Some regions may cease production altogether, while some regions may grow.

3. Moving to a recourse loan system eliminates any guarantee of minimum payment obligation by sugar beet and sugarcane processors to grow, unless high imports occur above the minimum 1.5 million ton trigger. This is a basic reform to U.S. commodity programs. Other farm commodity programs do not have the possibility of "recourse" loans.

4. The Congress has proposed increasing the marketing assessment rate 25 percent. Proposed legislation will require that sugar farmers pay \$288 million toward debt reduction over the next seven years. This is a tax increase which must be paid based upon an 18 cent loan rate, even though the effective support will be 17 cents per pound, raw value.

5. The Congress has also proposed a one cent penalty to be assessed on any sugar forfeited to the government. This one cent forfeiture penalty effectively lowers the support rate by a penny. The USDA will not have any incentive to manage the program at the 18-cent loan rate, because they will know that loan holders may market one cent lower to avoid the penalty.

The changes mandated by the reform-minded congress are serious changes to U.S. sugar policy.

Some growers probably cannot remain in production. Areas like Hawaii, Texas, and California will have a difficult time staying in business if the current cutthroat competition continues.

Congress demanded reform and in order to keep the basic parts of U.S. sugar policy, sugar beet and sugarcane farmers have accepted these reforms, but there is a price to pay. There will be fewer growers and processors left in business in what remains of the sugar industry after the reforms become law.

The alternative of no sugar policy in U.S. law, which is still a possibility, is even worse.

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There is not anything quite as soothing on a bleak winter day than a steaming bowl of hot soup. Our recipes this month start with the purchased healthy soups. We then simply stir in a few of our own ingredients and end up with "home-cooked" culinary comfort foods so attractive and tasty that you will be proud to serve them to your most sophisticated guests.

Sip on a bowl or two of these tasty bowls of flavor while observing National Soup Month with that splendid four letter word S-O-U-P.

ITALIAN TOMATO NOODLE SOUP

- 1/4 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 (10-3/4 ounce) can reduced-fat tomato soup
- 1-3/4 cups (one 14.5-ounce can) stewed tomatoes, undrained
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup skim milk
- 1/2 cup (2.5 ounce jar) sliced mushrooms, drained
- 1 teaspoon Italian Seasoning
- 1-1/4 cups (2-1/4 ounces) uncooked noodles
- 1/4 cup (3/4 ounce) fat-free Parmesan cheese

In a large sauce pan sprayed with olive-flavored cooking spray, saute onion until tender. Add tomato soup, stewed tomatoes, water, and skim milk. Mix well to combine. Stir in mushrooms, Italian Seasoning and noodles. Continue cooking, stirring often, 10 minutes or until noodles are tender. Just before serving, stir in Parmesan cheese. Freezes well.

Serves 4 (1-1/3 cups)
Each serving equals:
HE: 1-1/4 Ve, 3/4 BR, 1/4 Pr, 1/4 SM, 1/2 SL, 5 OC
215 Calories, 3 gm Fa, 9 gm Pr, 38 gm Ca, 709 mg So, 2 gm Fi Diabetic: 2 St, 1 Ve 1/2 Mt

HEARTLAND CORN CHOWDER

- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 full cup (6 ounces) finely diced ham
- 97% fat-free
- 2 cups frozen whole kernel corn
- 1-3/4 cups (8 ounces) diced cooked potatoes
- 1/2 cup (one 2.5 ounce jar) sliced mushrooms, drained
- 1 (10-3/4 ounce) can reduced-fat cream of mushroom soup
- 1-1/3 cups skim milk
- 3/4 cup (3 ounces) shredded reduced-fat cheddar cheese
- 1 teaspoon prepared mustard
- 1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

In a large saucepan sprayed with butter flavored cooking spray, saute onion and ham until onion is tender, about 5 minutes. Add corn, potatoes, mushrooms, mushroom soup and skim milk. Mix well to combine. Stir in Cheddar cheese, mustard, parsley flakes and black pepper. Lower heat. Simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Freezes well.

Serves 4 (1-1/4 cups)
Each serving equals:
HE: 2 Pr, 1-1/2 Br, 1/2 Ve, 1/3 SM, 1/2 SL, 2 OC
307 Calories, 7 gm Fa, 20 gm Pr, 41 gm Ca, 757 mg So, 4 gm Fi Diabetic: 2-1/2 St, 2 Mt



Healthy Eating Appreciation Key

SM = Milk	Ve = Vegetables	Fa = Fat
Pr = Protein	Br = Bread	St = Fruit
SL = Slider	OC = Optional	St = Starch
Mt = Meat	Calories	So = Sodium
Fi = Fiber	Ca = Carbohydrates	

CHICKEN WILD RICE SOUP

- 2 cups (one 16-ounce can) fat-free chicken broth
- 2 cups water
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup shredded carrots
- 1 cup sliced celery
- 1 cup (5 ounce) diced cooked chicken breast
- 1 (10-3/4 ounce) can reduced fat cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup (3 ounces) uncooked instant long grain and wild rice blend

In a large saucepan, combine

chicken broth, water, onion, carrots and celery. Bring mixture to a boil. Stir in chicken. Lower heat. Cover and simmer 10 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Add chicken soup and rice. Mix well to combine. Recover. Remove from heat and let set 5 minutes. Stir well again just before serving. Freezes well.

Serves 4 (1-1/2 cups)
Each serving equals:
HE: 1/12 Pr, 1-1/4 Ve, 3/4 Br, 1/2 SL, 14 OC, 227 Calories, 3 gm Fa, 19 gm Pr, 31 gm Ca, 715 mg So, 2 gm Fi Diabetic: 1-1/2 Mt, 1-1/2 St, 1 Ve

After serving these tummy filling and aroma pleasing soups, be prepared for a big round of applause. Your family and friends will be clapping their hands and screaming Encore!

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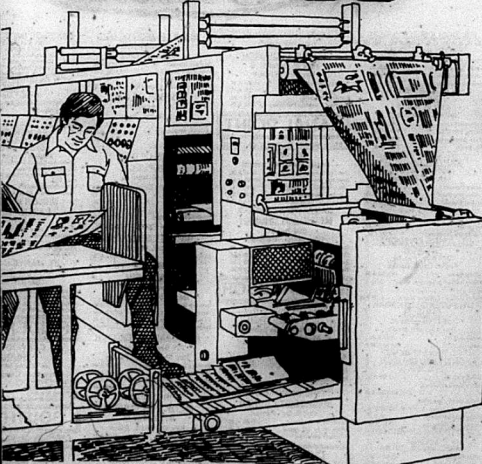
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Captain JP cruises Lake Okeechobee

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Cruise #7 is a Charter only. Prime Rib dinner and dance cruises - corporate parties, weddings, receptions, anniversaries, Christmas parties, etc. A variety of menus are available. Captain JP says it is not as expensive as you think.

Cruise #8 is the Stuart to Pahokee cruise, which is a six hour cruise that is the same as Cruise #6 except you sail from Stuart Sunday morning to Pahokee. The sail begins at 10 a.m. and returns at 4 p.m.

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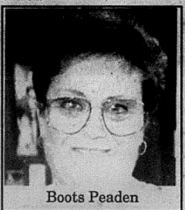
"Captain" Jim Pledger (JP).

The Viking Starliner is fully equipped with radar, depth finders, radios and other equipment found on larger ocean ships. The vessel cruises at an average speed of 10 knots allowing a leisurely look at the birds and other wildlife among the trees, flowers, and grasses along the rim canals.

Captain JP has been around the world several times due to the fact that he spent 20 years

Residents review 1995, look forward to 1996

spiritual experiences." He said he hopes to reach out more to the community in 1996 through home prayer groups. He also wants to reach out to people who are confined in their homes or those who do not have a home church.



Boots Peaden

Boots Peaden, a beautician at Margaret's Beauty Salon, said 1995 was also a good year for her and her family. "We had good health and plenty of work. We're praying for the same in 1996."

in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Captain JP narrates the history of the lake, describes various landmarks and sometimes shares stories of other cruises with visitors.

The colorful Captain has a long ancestry of seafaring. His father was in the Coast Guard for 26 years and Captain JP often made trips with him which is where he received his love of the sea. Jim Pledger joined the Coast Guard in 1935



Margaret Inman

"The year was just 'okay' for Margaret Inman of Belle Glade. "I had my health and strength and I was able to work," she reflected, "but I hope 1996 will be better. It would be great if I could pay off all my bills. I also pray my family will grow closer to the Lord in 1996," she said.

Charles Corbin, owner of Slim's Fish Camp, said 1995 was a great year. "All the hurricanes missed us," said Charles. "I'm looking forward to a year of good

when he was just 16 years old.

Captain JP became a ship pilot in the Baltimore, Maryland, Harbor. He is a Master Pilot, which means he can sail in any ship, in any ocean. He has spent 50 of his 77 years at sea and retired from the Coast Guard in 1956 after completing 20 years of service.

Captain JP found his way to Florida 22 years ago where he opened his own cruise business. He opened a cruise in Ft.



Charles Corbin

weather, good fishing and plenty of sunshine."

James Bennett, pastor of the Canal Point Baptist Church, agrees that 1995 was a good year. "I decided to lose some weight and it has been very successful. I plan to continue this into 1996."

He said things were also good at Canal Point Baptist Church this past year. "Attendance and offerings were really good. We just had the first Christmas Tree

Myers that he has since gave to three of his four children.

With the help of his nine crew members between his Floating Restaurant and his 350 passenger Cruise Boat, Captain JP has been in Pahokee going on two years.

"I received 18 battle ribbons, been around the world several times, and was in World War II when they dropped the atomic bomb. I am 77 years old going on 78 in February and am in

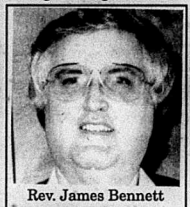
perfect health," said Captain JP.

"I have come to rest in Pahokee and Lake Okeechobee. I think the reason I am so healthy is because I work seven days a week. I plan to stay on this side of the lake with my eight cruises, relax and enjoy life," he concluded.

If you have any questions or comments regarding Captain JP Boat or 1-800-845-7411.

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in the Big Lake Baptist Association and we just received the largest Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions in



Rev. James Bennett

the history of the church.

"If I could wish for anything in 1996, it would be growth and prosperity in Pahokee and Canal Point and for all the churches to be full every Sunday morning."

1995 was a fairly good year for Rev. Clifford Davis of South Bay. "We've experienced some progress and some growth in the church (Wesleyan Community



Rev. Clifford Davis

Holiness Church," he said. "We were able to reach a number of unsaved people through our Community Revival Services which was sponsored by the Belle Glade Ministerial Association."

Davis said there are a number of things he would like to accomplish in 1996. "I am concerned about the employment situation in the Glades. We'll have to pray about this and try to find some kind of employment source to keep our people here," he said.

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The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business that may come before the Board, if any person desires to appeal any decision made by the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at this meeting he/she will need a receipt of the proceedings to be made, which receipt includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Pursuant to the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting, because of a disability or physical impairment, should contact the District's Attorney, Charles P. Schwab, at 407-655-8222 at least five (5) calendar days prior to the Meeting.

Dated this 28th day of December, 1995.

Published: The Sun, January 4, 1996

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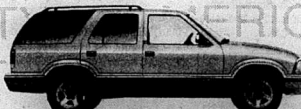
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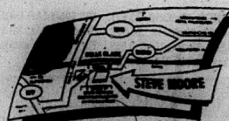


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